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SUBJECT: LETTER FROM PRESIDENT TO PRIME MINISTER RE MEET-
INGS ON MTN

1. BEGIN QUOTE. DEAR MR. PRIME MINISTER,

BOB STRAUSS HAS JUST BRIEFED ME ON HIS MEETINGS ABOUT THE
MULTILATERAL TRADE NEGOTIATIONS WITH MINISTER USHIBA,
EUROPEAN COMMUNITY VICE PRESIDENT HAFERKAMP, AND CANADIAN
TRADE REPRESENTATIVE WARREN.

I KNOW THAT A FAIR AMOUNT OF PROGRESS HAS BEEN MADE IN
NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES. DESPITE THIS
PROGRESS, WE STILL HAVE A CONSIDERABLE DISTANCE TO GO IN
THE SHORT TIME AVAILABLE. FURTHER WORK IS NECESSARY TO
IMPROVE ACCESS FOR AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS, REDUCE INDUSTRIAL
TARIFFS, AND REACH AGREEMENT ON SUCH ISSUES AS GOVERNMENT
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PROCUREMENT AND A MEANINGFUL CODE ON SUBSIDIES.

IN THE FACE OF THE EXTREMELY LARGE UNITED STATES-JAPANESE
TRADE IMBALANCE, WHICH IS HIGHLIGHTED DAILY IN NEWSPAPER
STORIES HERE, WE NOW NEED EVIDENCE INDICATING SIGNIFICANT
OPENING OF THE JAPANESE MARKET TO OUR PRODUCTS. JAPANESE
LEADERSHIP IN LIBERALIZING TRADE -- OF BOTH INDUSTRIAL AND

AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS -- COULD PROVIDE THE MOST CONVINCING EVIDENCE. IN THE ABSENCE OF SUCH PROGRESS, OUR CONGRESS WILL BE UNDER GROWING PRESSURE TO TAKE MEASURES THAT COULD DAMAGE THE INTERESTS OF BOTH OUR COUNTRIES.

I SHARE YOUR DEEP CONCERN ABOUT IMPROVING WORLD ECONOMIC STABILITY AND YOUR HOPES THAT THE SUMMIT MEETING IN BONN WILL PROVIDE THE NECESSARY FRAMEWORK TO ACCOMPLISH THIS. YOU AND I EACH WILL HAVE TO MAKE POLITICALLY PAINFUL DECISIONS IN PREPARING FOR THE SUMMIT IN THE NEXT FEW WEEKS.

FURTHER IMPROVEMENTS IN YOUR NEGOTIATORS' OFFER IN GENEVA AND OTHER EFFORTS TO LIBERALIZE ACCESS TO JAPAN'S IMPORT MARKET ARE ESSENTIAL, IF AGREEMENT IS TO BE REACHED BEFORE THE BONN MEETING ON THE MAIN UNRESOLVED ISSUES IN THE MULTILATERAL TRADE NEGOTIATIONS.

CONSCIOUS OF YOUR CONCERN ABOUT OIL CONSUMPTION, I MET RECENTLY WITH CONGRESSIONAL LEADERS TO DISCUSS THE KIND OF PLEDGE I COULD MAKE AT THE SUMMIT TO LIMIT OIL IMPORTS. SUCH A PLEDGE, AS YOU KNOW, WILL BE DIFFICULT; WHETHER I CAN MAKE IT DEPENDS, IN GOOD PART, ON WHAT ACTIONS OTHER COUNTRIES ARE PREPARED TO TAKE ON GROWTH, TRADE, AND AID.

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I LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU AGAIN IN BONN, WHERE I HOPE

THAT WE CAN RECEIVE A REPORT BY JULY 15 FROM OUR TRADE NEGOTIATORS IN GENEVA THAT THEY HAVE PRODUCED A PACKAGE OF AGREEMENTS.

SINCERELY, JIMMY CARTER.

END QUOTE.

2. ABOVE LETTER SHOULD BE GIVEN APPROPRIATE GOJ AUTHORITIES FOR DELIVERY TO PRIME MINISTER ASAP.

3. SIGNED ORIGINAL HAS BEEN POUCHED. VANCE

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